IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title: Solvent-Free Hot Melt Adhesive

\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ Compostition Comprising a Controlled Distribution Block

Copolymer

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Dear Sirs:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED OCTOBER 6, 2005

In response to the office action mailed October 6, 2005, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on January 6, 2006, please reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below.

The Commissioner is petitioned for a three-month extension and is authorized to charge the fee for petition (\$1020) to deposit account 50-1951 (TH1768E/US).

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 4 of this paper.

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